

Concordia Mills,
Hamilton, Wis.

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CONCORDIA MILLS

Concordia Mills are located on the main highway which "wanders" through the town of Hamilton, Wisconsin. This highway ~~by the way~~ was at one time the United States military road extending from Milwaukee to Green Bay. The old mill stands at the intersection of this highway and an old mill race. It is a squarish ~~type of~~ structure, built of stone. A lover of good stone work would here find much to enthuse* about.

The windows are in excellent proportion even to the small panes of glass, and they are placed practically flush with the face of the building. The building has chaste lines and together with its various levels presents a most picturesque appearance. The cornice is daring and unusual in size. Though it has all the feeling for ~~the~~ classical work, it has straight boards for the usual molded portions. There is something very dignified about the entire structure which appears most elusive.

The interior is a model for cleanliness in that the entire inside walls are plastered over in an uneven fashion. The deep window jambs attract immediate attention because they are all built on an angle and the lintels over them are of hand-hewn oak timbers. In fact all the timbers on the inside of the building are of oak and most of them show the marks of the adze.

As the lintel over the main doorway indicates, the

mill was erected in 1853. It was built by a well educated man named Edward H. Jansson, who was the second state treasurer of Wisconsin. His individuality ~~in~~ⁱⁿ buildings is shown in other structures in this little village.

The building is in excellent condition and is still in use.

Thorne Smith
District Officer.